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From my own APARTMENT.

IS it is one Part of my Province to promote the Redress of Grievances in Society, I cannot deny a Place to the following Petition. A Nephew of mine, who happen'd to be at my Chambers when it arriv'd, has made some Remarks on it in my Person; which, as I do not disapprove them from a young Fellow, I shall insert without Alteration.

To the Honourable Miss ——.

The humble PETITION of LIONEL LOVEPEACE, *on Behalf of the ancient Society of* —— *Inn*,

Sheweth,

THAT the said Society have been from Time immemorial, and now are in themselves, a peaceable and quiet Society, in no wise given to *Noise* or *Brawling*; but on the contrary, have always maintain'd, and hitherto supported among themselves, (as much as in them lay) a good Harmony, Concord and Taciturnity; the good Effects whereof have been daily demonstrated, as they have enabled the Members of the said Society, with great Calmness and Perspicuity, to carry on their respective Businesses in the said Inn.

That your Ladyship (having condescended to take up your Residence among the said Members of the said Inn) hath lately taken into your Service a certain Domestick, call'd a *Parrot*, of a Nature quite averse and retrograde to every social Virtue; a great *Brawler* without *Speech*, and, as your Petitioner humbly apprehends, a very unfit Inmate for a Society heretofore so easy and quiet.

That the Study of the Law, in a particular Manner, requires Silence; the Interruption whereof, by your Ladyship's said Domestick, hath been already highly detrimental to many Suitors, Clients of the said Members of the said Inn; and manifestly tends to the Prejudice, and, it is much fear'd, to the utter Annihilation of the said Society; in regard that other Societies, less interrupted by such unhappy Noises, may, in Process of Time, by a more ready and accurate Dispatch of Business, entirely wrest the same from the said Members of the said Inn.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays, That the said Matters may be taken into your Ladyship's serious Consideration, and such Relief granted to the said Members of the said Society as to your Ladyship shall seem meet, either by silencing, or a Removal of the said Domestick.

And your Petitioner, as in Duty bound, shall ever pray.

Mr. SPECTATOR,

IF the giving this Petition a Place in your Paper should be instrumental in supplanting the bawling Animal it complains of, you'll much oblige many of your constant Readers. I assure you that I have now such a Noise in my Ears with the *Parrot*, that I am apt to subscribe myself

Your confounded humble Servant,
L. L.

I must confess that the Matter complain'd of in my Correspondent's Petition deserves a serious Consideration. I shall not now enter into a general Dissertation upon the Custom of keeping *Parrots*, but confine my Observations to what is now the Cause of Complaint, between a large Body of the Law and a young Lady. By the publick Method of Petition here chosen, it seems the Gentlemen there hold no personal Correspondence with their Fair Associate, which my Regard for the Sex will not suffer me to pass over without Observation. Perhaps then (and hard it is for a Lady with the Title of *Honourable Miss*) the Lady is by their Neglects of her induced to have Recourse to this harsh Instrument of a squalling unintelligent *Parrot*, to make herself be taken Notice of by a Body of Gentlemen, who would, without doubt, think themselves affronted, if they were denied the Epithet of *Polite*. The Lady never hearing their Voices, and seldom having Opportunity of seeing their Persons, might conclude them all *asleep*, (as to her Charms at least) and take this Method to rouse them from the Lethargy; for I cannot suppose herself pleas'd when near a Sound, that has almost confounded my Correspondent at a Distance.

Indeed I much fear the Success of this Petition; an Address to remove the very Object she may have us'd to rouse the *Insensibles* of the Society, and to make herself observ'd. If their Eyes were closed as well as their Tongues tied, she had no other Method of doing it but by sounding an Alarm in the Ears, as the only Avenue left to gain Admission to their Hearts. Nor is it surprizing that she has done it in so harsh a Manner; for desperate Diseases should have desperate Remedies. I see here no Service offer'd to the Lady; but she is told they shall be annihilated. Annihilated! Were they any Thing better than annihilated to her before, while their Chambers veil'd them from her Sight, and their every Passion was immerg'd in the vast Abyss of Law? Should they not first make a Tender of their Thanks for her awakening them from a State of Insensibility? Soft Language works easily upon the flexible Fair; and when the Cause shall be remov'd, I doubt not but this bawling Impertinent will be made to give Way to the more agreeable Task of Love.

It is indeed an Attempt quite *novelle*; 'till now I have not known the Smock-faced God beat a Parley from the Lungs of a *Parrot*: But the many Freaks he has play'd with us Mortals in all Ages, will leave me without Astonishment if he should summon half a Dozen of these *Squallers* at every Window of the Lady's Apartment, attended with as many *Jays*, 'till his *Fair Votary* receives the Adoration he intends, and her distinguish'd Merit intitles her to. I grant with the Petitioner, that the Study of the Law requires Silence; but when the God of Love so loudly demands to be heard, I know of no Method to secure it but by a Submission to his Terms; and especially since he may, with his Train of Artillery, consisting of Flames, Darts, *&c.* so easily exact Obedience, and soften a Heart not dissolvable by the Tears of the widow'd Mother, or the helpless Orphan. Nor, indeed, that I would pay so coarse a Compliment to the Petitioner, as even to suppose such a one in his Society; since in the first Paragraph of his Complaint he assures, that they are in no wise given to *Noise* or *Brawling*. A Virtue so rare as this cannot be unworthy of Notice.

In Matters of this Nature, I shall at all Times lay it down as a fundamental and primary Consideration, that the Fair (the fairest Blossom of created Existence) are entitled and have an actual Claim to some Share of Homage and Respect. Is it not then an Indignity of the most aggravated sort, that they should be constrain'd to *ask* in a Manner that must necessarily be disagreeable to themselves, for what is due to that Abundance of Charms, which the liberal Hand of Nature has made them Mistresses of? I shall conclude these Reflections therefore with a Piece of Advice to *Mr. Lovepeace*; That by a personal Treaty he endeavour the Removal of this bawling Impediment to Business, and I doubt not but that he who has said so much, so well, is able to say a Word or two for *himself*.

To Mr. HENRY STONECASTLE.

SIR,

BY inserting the following Lines in your Paper, you'll greatly oblige your weekly Admirer and very humble Servant,

DEMETRIUS.

A PASTORAL *to a young* LADY.

ALEXIS.

STAY, gentle *Thirsis*, list a While,
And I'll thy Senses all beguile,
And sound a Name unsung of old,
The sweet dear Name of *A*—— *G*——.

THIRSIS.

A Shepherd piping t'other Day,
Unto himself did gently play,
As if from Heav'n the Sound had roll'd;
And stopp'd and sigh'd, Oh! —— ——.

ALEXIS.

Her lovely Looks make fresh the Plain;
Her graceful Air revives the Scene;
Those Charms by Poets yet untold,
Are center'd all in —— ——.

THIRSIS.

Alexis keep thy Breast serene,
Nor let her Looks create thy Pain:
If she in Chains thy Heart does hold,
Strive to forget the Name of ——.

ALEXIS.

Forget her Form! her Face so fair!
Sooner forget my native Air;
Forget my Friends, these Plains, my Fold,
Than that dear Name of —— ——.

THIRSIS.

Sweet Hopes she does to all impart,
By easy Looks and fickle Heart:
Her Heart to each alike is cold,
Though you exalt the Name of ——.

ALEXIS.

To see her, *Thirsis*, trip the Plain,
With easy Shape and pleasing Mein;
See her, her youthful Charms unfold,
You'd ne'er forget the Name of ——.

THIRSIS.

Alexis, to forget thy Care,
Delude thy Moments, spurn the Fair;
Let her in fancy'd Charms grow old,
Forgotten live your —— ——.

ALEXIS.

Why do I thus distracted turn?
Why do I for her Favour burn?
That Favour why does she withold?
Ah! why, my lovely —— ——?

THIRSIS.

Her gentle Air, and keener Eye,
Are but employ'd to make thee Sigh:
She scorns the Meek, avoids the Bold:
Then bid Adieu to —— ——.

ALEXIS.

Had I the Art to wound her Breast,
And rob her Nights, like mine, of rest;
The Cure she quickly shou'd behold,
Alone prepar'd for *A*—— *G*——.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14. Her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of Denmark has now made her Publick Entry in to this City, and her Marriage with the Prince has been finally celebrated and compleated. Their Royal Highneſſes are moſt happily ſettled together in their own Court at Charlottenburg. The 11th Inſtant (the Anniverſary of his Majeſty's Birth-Day, N. S.) having been appointed for the Publick Entry, they who were to aſſiſt in it aſſembled with their Coaches and Equipages about Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, upon a large Plain between this Place and Friderickſberg. About Two in the Afternoon, all being ready and rang'd in due Order, a Squadron of the Life-Guard began the Proceſſion, the reſt then fil'd off ſucceſſively, and the whole Train, which was of a vaſt Length of Horſemen, Livery Servants on Foot, Coaches and Six, &c. paſs'd by the Coach wherein the Princeſs ſat with the Daniſh Princeſs Louiſa on her Left Hand. As the loweſt in Rank march'd firſt, this Coach of Courſe came the laſt of all; it was immediately preceded by the Prince of Denmark on Horſeback, and follow'd by the Prince of Wirtemberg, the reſt of the Regiment of Life Guards cloſing the Rear. As ſoon as ever the Princeſs was within the Walls, the Cannon of the Town, the Citadel, and the Fleet, began to play, and continu'd firing 'till ſhe arriv'd at the Palace of Chriſtianburg, which took up more than two Hours from the firſt ſetting out. The Streets through which ſhe paſs'd were lin'd on each Side with the Citizens in Arms, handſomely cloath'd; the regular Troops being poſted in all the open Places. Several Triumphal Arches had been erected croſs the Way; the Front of every Houſe in the Paſſage was cover'd with Ornaments, and every Window and Place of Eminence crouded with Spectators. At the Door, and upon the loweſt Steps of the Great Stair-caſe of the Palace, her Royal Highneſs was waited for and receiv'd by the whole Court; the Prince leading her into the Queen's Apartment. After about an Hour's Stay there, his Royal Highneſs led the Princeſs out again, with a Crown upon her Head; and being follow'd by their Majeſties, the Daniſh Princeſſes and Courtiers, went into the King's Antichamber, which was duly fitted up for the Celebration of the Marriage. This Ceremony was perform'd in the Royal Preſence, both the Domeſtick and Foreign Miniſters, with as many of the Courtiers of Diſtinction as could conveniently be admitted, ſtanding on each Side of the Room; and it conſiſted of Muſick, an Exhortation pronounced by the Preacher of the Court M. Blome, joining of Hands, Prayers, and the Nuptial Benediction. At the Concluſion their Majeſties roſe from their Seats, and in the moſt tender and affectionate Manner embraced the Bride firſt, and then the Bridegroom. As they return'd to the Queen's Apartment the King gave his Hand to the Princeſs, and the Queen was led by the Prince. In the ſame Order they went to Supper in a very large Room, call'd the Knight's Hall, finely adorn'd and illuminated, where a ſtgur'd Table was prepar'd, and magnificently ſerv'd for between ſeventy and eighty Perſons of both Sexes. Two large Silver Medals ſtruck upon this Occaſion were laid under each Plate. The Princeſs, who ſtill wore her Crown with a moſt graceful Majeſty, had the Place of Honour at Table, and after Supper the King and Queen, accompanied by the Royal Family, and attended by the Chamberlains and Gentlemen in waiting, conducted this illuſtrious Pair to the Palace of Charlottenburg (which is appointed for their Reſidence in Town) through a continu'd Glare of Illuminations.

Vienna, Dec. 7. Some Letters from Sileſia ſay, that a Difference has ariſen between the Court of Berlin and that of Warſaw, about a Convent of Nuns in Sileſia, which having been founded by the Crown of Poland, the latter has all along had the Right of nominating, alternately with the Sovereigns of Sileſia, an Abbeſſe to the ſaid Convent. The Abbey lately became vacant, and it was the King of Poland's Turn to fill it up; but the King of Pruſſia thinking that he may do as he pleaſes in his own Dominions, has inſtall'd an Abbeſſe, in prejudice of his Poliſh Majeſty's Right, who has enter'd a Proteſt againſt this Proceeding.

Hague, Dec. 22. We hear from Conſtantinople, that M. Kalkoen, the Republick's Embaſſador there, is preparing to ſet out from thence in order to reſide in the ſame Quality at the French Court. The Plague ſtill makes dreadful Havock at Conſtantinople.

From the Paris A-la-main, Dec. 25.

We hear from Bezanſon, that they are raiſing ſix Companies of Burghers, of fifty Men each, who are to have an Uniform, and ſerve to guard the Town upon Occaſion. We are aſſur'd that if the War continues on the Frontiers of that Province (Franche County) all the Peaſants will be arm'd.

The 18th Inſtant an Expreſs arriv'd from Madrid, on Occaſion of the Arrival of the Spaniſh Troops at Toulon; and the next Day another was ſent from Verſailles to Madrid, with Diſpatches relating to the approaching Embarkation of Troops for Italy.

The Huſſars that the Count de Saxe has caus'd to be rais'd in Poland, are expected in France the 6th of next Month: It is order'd that they ſhall always have a Detachment of Dragoons to ſuſtain them in their Incurſions.

Several foreign Officers quit the Service of their Sovereigns and take on in ours. The Captain of the Auſtrian Huſſars [is there but *one* Captain?] has deſerted, and is come to demand Employment in the French Troops. The King has given him Leave to raiſe a Troop of Huſſars. This Officer is ſo diſguſted at the Uſage he receiv'd from Col. Mentzel, that he has reſolv'd to take him dead or alive, if the Court will let him try for it. Col. Mentzel has ſent ſeveral of his moſt daring Officers into France to diſpatch this Captain; but ſome of his Friends in Germany have given him Warning of it. Our new Captain pretends that he ſhall be able to bring over to us a great many of the Queen of Hungary's Huſſars.

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PLANTATION NEWS.

Jamaica, Auguſt 31. On the 14th Inſtant the Ripon returned into Port from a Cruize, and brought with her a French Ship with contraband Stores on board, which ſhe took going to Havannah.

On the 20th Sir Chaloner Ogle's Tender returned to Jamaica from a Cruize, in which ſhe had met with a Spaniſh Row-Gally, and engaged her warmly from Ten o'Clock till Two, when it proving a Calm, the Gally cut away her Boat, and got off by the Help of her Oars.

IRELAND.

Dublin, Dec. 10. We hear from Cork, that laſt Week a French Ship laden with Salt for Dublin, was caſt away in the Bay of Clanikilty, and that all the Men were ſav'd, except the Maſter and Mate, who were waſh'd over-board; alſo that a large Ship, bound from London to Gibraltar, with Eale Goods and Proviſions, ſtruck on the Rocks on the ſaid Bay, and was deſerted by the Maſter and Men, but by the Care of Mr. Cheney, a Revenue Officer, and ſeveral Gentlemen of the Country, ſhe was brought in ſafe to a Creek adjoining.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant has been pleas'd to ſign a Commiſſion for John Bingham, Eſq; to be Colonel of a Regiment of Dragoons in the County of Mayo, in the room of the Right Hon. Henry Bingham, Eſq; deceas'd.

As alſo to appoint Benjamin Burton, Eſq, to be a Truſtee of the Linnen Manufacture, in the room of the ſaid Henry Bingham.

The Mary and Jane of Portaferry, William Coſſie, bound for Londonderry, was loſt in her Paſſage thither; but the Crew were ſav'd.

Laſt Thurſday died here, univerſally regretted, William Montgomery, Eſq; deſcended from the noble Family of Mount Alexander, a Captain in Col. Laſcelles's Regiment, now quarter'd in Scotland.

The Rev. Mr. Hubbie is preſented, by his Grace the Lord Archbiſhop of Dublin, to the Prebend of Kilmatalway, and Vicarage of Clondalkin, in the room of the late Rev. Dr. Wilſon.

Dublin, Dec. 13. Laſt Saturday the Right Hon. the Counteſs of Drogheda was ſafely deliver'd of a Son, at his Lordſhip's Seat at Monſtereven, in the County of Kildare.

The ſame Day the Right Hon. the Lord Netterville was remov'd to an Apartment in the Caſtle-Yard, where he is to remain in the Cuſtody of the Conſtable 'till he takes his Trial.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Briſtol, Dec. 17. Yeſterday Morning that horrid Murder of Sir Robert Cann's Coachman, committed in the Road beyond Stoke's Croft, was brought to Light in the following providential Manner.

A young Man came, about Ten o'Clock, to Mr. Iſaac Hewlet's, Watchmaker, in the Old Market, to have a Watch mended (which he had either bought or exchang'd for another) —— Mr. Hewlet knowing the Watch to be the very ſame which Sir Robert Cann's Coachman brought to him to be mended, aſk'd the young Man how he came by it? for, ſaid he, I put a Wheel in it for Sir Robert Cann's Coachman, and produced his Day-Book to prove it.—— The young Man replied, If you'll go along with me, I'll ſhew you the Man I had it of; and accordingly Mr. Hewlet, with a Neighbour, went with him to a Houſe in Birch-Lane, near Lawford's-Gate, and met with one Andrew Burnet, lately a Soldier belonging to the Regiment here, but has ſince bought off his Diſcharge, who own'd that the young Man had the Watch of him. He was then aſk'd how he came by that Watch?——Burnet told them he had it of his Sweetheart (a Widow Woman) and that it was her late Huſband's.——Upon this they took Burnet to the Woman, who abſolutely deny'd his Aſſertion, and that her Huſband had never had a Watch.——They then took Burnet before two Juſtices of the Peace, to whom he confeſs'd this wicked Affair; which, we are inform'd, was to this Purport:

That the Evening the Murder was committed, he happen'd to take a Walk with one Pain, another Soldier in the ſame Regiment, up Stoke's Croft; and in their Converſe together, Pain told him, he would have a Gooſe for Supper that Night; but he telling Pain he paid for his Board, did not agree with him on the Deſign. Then, ſaid Pain, I'll have ſome of the firſt Man's Money that comes by, which unfortunately happen'd to be the Deceas'd, whom, as Burnet ſays, Pain knock'd down while he paſs'd forward, and immediately rifled the Deceas'd of his Watch, and Six-pence in Money. Pain was taken laſt Night at Laurence-Hill, and has ſince confeſs'd another Accomplice, a Maſon in Town.

P. S. We ſince have it for certain, that Burnet declar'd, before Sir Robert Cann and Alderman Elton, that he refus'd accepting of the Watch and Six-pence, which Pain offer'd him. That ten Days after, a Robbery being committed on Durdham-Down, the ſaid Pain came to his Room and brought the Watch, deſiring him to hide the ſame, and left it on a Table in his Room, and then went away; that about a Fortnight after he exchang'd the ſaid Silver Watch with one Harry, a Carpenter, for a Tortoiſe-ſhell Watch and 1l. 6s.

LONDON.

We hear that in the ſeveral Liſts of *Kill'd* and *Wounded*, publiſh'd ſince the Battle of Dettingen, one *material Article* has hitherto been omitted, and that is, near *four Hundred* fine *Setting Dogs*, belonging to the *Gentlemen* of the *Army*, who thought of taking the Diverſion of that *ſporting Country*.——The Dogs, it ſeems, who were with the Baggage, when they ſaw a Ball almoſt ſpent, ran to catch it in their Mouths, and by that Means got knock'd on the Head apace.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Middleſex is appointed one of the Lords of the Treaſury, in the room of the Lord Sandys.

We hear the Right Hon. the Earl of Waldegrave is appointed one of the Lords of the Bed-Chamber to his Majeſty, in the room of the Duke of Marlborough, who has RESIGN'D.

We hear that on Wedneſday ſe'nnight 200 Members of Parliament, all in the true BRITISH INTEREST, dined at the Fountain Tavern in the Strand; and 'tis hop'd they will never give over their glorious Undertaking in the Cauſe of Liberty, till they have effectually ſecur'd it to themſelves and their Poſterity.

Sir Charles Hardy, Knt. is elected Member of Parliament for Portſmouth.

John Frederick, Eſq; is elected Member of Parliament for Weſtlow in Cornwall, in the room of Sir Charles Wager, Knt. deceas'd.

Peter Leigh, of Calverly in Cheſhire, Eſq; is elected Member of Parliament for Newton in Lancaſhire.

caſhire, in the room of William Shippen, Eſq; deceas'd.

Tueſday ſe'nnight John Philipſon, Eſq; lately appointed one of the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty, was rechoſen Member of Parliament for Harwich in Eſſex, without Oppoſition.

And on Thurſday the Right Hon. Henry Pelham, Eſq; Brother to his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle, firſt Lord Commiſſioner of the Treaſury, and Chancellor of his Majeſty's Exchequer, was rechoſen Knight of the Shire for the County of Suſſex, without Oppoſition.

The ſame Day George Barlow, of Slabidge in Pembrokeſhire, Eſq; was elected Member of Parliament for Haverfordweſt in that County, in the room of Sir Eraſmus Phillips, Bart. deceas'd.

Sir Richard Warwick Bampfylde, Bart. is elected Member of Parliament for the City of Exeter, in the room of Sir Henry Northcote, Bart. deceas'd.

The Lords of the Admiralty have order'd the Boyne, an 80 Gun Ship, to ſail immediately for the Mediterranean, in order to join Admiral Matthews.

The Hon. George Edgcumbe, Eſq; youngeſt Son of the Right Hon. the Lord Edgcumbe, is appointed Captain of the Terrible Bomb.

They write from Lancaſhire, that laſt Week the Rev. Mr. Johnſon, of Whalley, a Perſon of great Merit in the Church, eldeſt Son of Allan Johnſon, of Grange, Eſq; a Gentleman of an ancient Family and a good Eſtate, was married to Miſs Tatlock, of Preſcot, a Lady ſo juſtly diſtinguiſh'd for her Beauty, Sweetneſs of Temper, and agreeable Behaviour, that ſhe is eſteem'd an Ornament to her Sex, with a Fortune of 5000 l.

Laſt Sunday Mr. Lloyd, an eminent Attorney in Clement's-Inn, was married at Lambeth to Miſs Wright, Daughter of Anthony Wright, Eſq; of Shoreham in Suſſex; a beautiful young Lady, with a Fortune of 15,000 l.

Monday Mr. William Phillips, an eminent Merchant, was married at Hackney to Miſs Anne Goodchild, only Daughter of James Goodchild, of Woodford, Eſq; an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 10,000 l.

On Tueſday Mr. Patry, of Mitcham in Surrey, was married at St. Lawrence's Church to Miſs Pratt, Daughter of Mr. Pratt, an eminent Merchant of this City,

By a Letter from Coothill, in the County of Cavan in Ireland, we have an Account that Mrs. Simpſon, (Wife of a Linnen-Weaver of that Place) who is not quite 14 Years of Age, and five Feet eleven Inches in height, was brought to bed, a few Days ago, of two fine Boys, who are in perfect Health, and chriſten'd by the Names of George-Auguſtus and Frederick.

On Saturday laſt, about Four in the Afternoon, died at her Houſe in Groſvenor-Square, her Grace the Dutcheſs of Ancaſter, Wife of his Grace the preſent Duke. She was Relict of the late Sir Charles Gunter Nicoll, Knight of the Honourable Order of the Bath, and ſole Daughter and Heir of William Blundell, of Baſingſtoke in Hants, Eſq;

Her Grace has left no Iſſue by the Duke; but two Daughters by her firſt Huſband, Sir Charles Gunter Nicoll.

On Saturday laſt the Maſter of the Ordnance appointed Mr. Leech, Clerk of the Train of Artillery, in the room of Mr. Wood, deceas'd.

On Sunday laſt died, reputed rich, in the 70th Year of his Age, at his Houſe in Little Groſvenor-ſtreet, Mr. Samuel Burner, formerly an eminent Haberdaſher of Small-Wares.

Laſt Saturday died, at his Houſe in Rotherhithe, Mr. Ware, a wealthy Timber-Merchant, reputed worth 15,000 l.

Laſt Week the Rev. Mr. Leech was inſtituted to the Rectory of Intwood with Keſwick, in the County of Norfolk, at the Preſentation of the Right Hon. the Lord Hobart.

Monday a Grant paſs'd the Great Seal to Mr. Charles Cooper of the Office of Succentor of the Canons in the Cathedral and Metropolitical Church of York.

Monday a Diſpenſation paſs'd the Seals to enable the Rev Mr. Kay, Chaplain to the Right Rev. the Lord Biſhop of Ely, to hold the Vicarage of St. Alban's, with the Vicarage of King's-Langley, both in the County of Hertford.

Wedneſday ſe'nnight the following Prizes were drawn, viz. 69,786, 5000 l. 53,133, and 70,986, 2000 l. each; 7855, 500 l. 48,229, 72,480, 60,451, 42,380, 32,767, 35,152, 35,775, 54,366, 76,274, and 5324, 100 l. each.

Thurſday the following Numbers were drawn Prizes, viz. 62,218, and 24,095, 1000 l. each; 37,018, 46,724, 30,839, 21,465, 54,970, 67,668, and 392, 100 l. each.

Friday the following Numbers were drawn Prizes, viz. 14,737, 25,589, and 20,991, 100 l. each.

Laſt Saturday the following Numbers were drawn Prizes, viz. 71,647, 500 l. 27,816, 79,448, 77,431, 20,552, 74,433, 59,338, 46,374, 64,542, and 6,459, 100 l. each.

Monday the following Numbers were drawn Prizes, viz. 33,761, 3000 l. 29,617, and 68,857, 100 l. each.

Tueſday the following Numbers were drawn Prizes, viz. No. 8873, 500 l. 78,769, 66,594, 71,376, 76,509, 41,967, 66,989, 29,754, and 55,816, 100 l. each.

Thurſday ſe'nnight a remarkable Trial came on before Sir Henry Penrice, Judge of the High Court of Admiralty, at Doctors Commons; the Caſe was thus; the Endeavour Sloop, Philip Hogan, Commander, was taken by a Spaniſh Privateer and carried into Bilboa, where ſhe was condemn'd, and Ship and Cargo ſold accordingly; ſhe was afterwards fitted out by ſome Spaniſh Merchants, and loaded with Fruit from Zant for London, and in her Paſſage was taken by the Deal-Caſtle Man of War, Capt. Jacob Elton, when after hearing Counſel and Witneſſes on both Sides, the Ship and Cargo were deem'd Spaniſh Property, and condemn'd by the Court as lawful Prize.

The ſame Day the St. Lewis, Michael Fayars, Commander, a French Ship ſeiz'd in the Port of Guernſey, and condemn'd as Perquiſites of the Admiralty, was by a Warrant from the Lords of the Admiralty order'd to be reſtor'd.

Tueſday five Informations were tried before the Commiſſioners of the Exciſe, exhibited againſt ſeveral Dealers in Tea, for concealing of Run Goods, of which they were convicted, whereby they forfeited the ſaid Goods and treble the Value. At the ſame time ſeveral Perſons were convicted for ſelling and expoſing to ſale unſtamp'd Chocolate, whereby they forfeited the Goods and 20 l. Penalty.

The ſame Day three Perſons were tried before the Commiſſioners of the Exciſe, being enter'd Dealers, for concealing of Tea in unenter'd Places, and convicted in the Penalty of 200 l. each.

Thurſday ſe'nnight the following ſad Accident happen'd to one Mrs. Spenſer, near Northgate in Canterbury, viz. As her Son, a little Boy about nine Years of Age, was playing with a Fowling-Piece that was left in a Corner of the Room by the Careleſneſs of his Father, and preſenting it to his Mother, it went off, and ſhot out both her Eyes, and wounded her in ſuch a Manner that her Life is deſpair'd of.

Some Days ago a Hog was kill'd at Fakenham near Norwich, that weigh'd thirty-nine Stone ſix Pounds, reckon'd the largeſt kill'd thereabouts in the Memory of Man; the Fat in ſome Parts were five Inches thick.

We have Advice of a very large Seizure made by the Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms at Aberdeen, viz. thirty Hogſheads of Claret, three Hogſheads of White Wine, twelve hundred Gallons of Brandy, and four thouſand Weight of Coffee.

Laſt Sunday Night three Coaches loaded with Tea were brought under a ſtrong Guard thro' the City, and lodg'd in the King's Warehouſe at the Cuſtom-houſe; they were ſeiz'd that Morning by Meſſ. Nutt, Spencer and Lloyd, Cuſtom-houſe Officers, after exchanging ſeveral Shot.

Laſt Sunday Night a Coach, wherein were three Women, was ſtopt at Peckham Gap by three Foot-pads, who robb'd them of three Rings, ſeven Guineas, and ſome Silver, and then made off: They afterwards ſtopt Mr. Lawrence, a Lime Merchant in Wapping, at the ſame Place, and robb'd him of 11 s. and then made off towards Peckham.

Letters from Peterſbourg, dated the 2d Inſtant, adviſe, that the Marqueſs de la Cheardie arrived there that Day, and had been received with the greateſt Marks of Eſteem poſſible, by the Miniſters of the Court.

The ſame Night Mr. Crouch, a Riband Weaver near Chriſt-Church in Surrey, coming from Peckham with his Wife, was attack'd by two Footpads in the Fields leading from thence to Kent-ſtreet Road; but upon Mr. Crouch telling them his Wife was with Child, and deſiring they would not frighten her, they told him they would do neither of them any Harm if he would deliver what he had without any Trouble; acordingly he gave them a Guinea, with they were well contented and made off.

Thurſday ſe'nnight Joſeph Iſaacs, alias M'Coy, a Jew, was committed to Newgate by Col. De Veil, for burglariouſly breaking open the Houſe of Mr. Nathaniel Ward, a Spectacle-maker, of White's-Alley in Little Moor-fields, and feloniouſly taking out of it, a great Quantity of Plate and Wearing Apparel, with other Perſons not yet taken. He was an Evidence againſt Jacob Cordoſa, (now under Sentence of Death in Newgate) in December laſt, for breaking open the Houſe of Mrs. Eden, in Weſt-Cloſe-Square, the 15th of October 1742.

And the ſame Day Mary Wilſon was committed to New Priſon, by the ſame Gentleman, for receiving a great Part of the aboveſaid Goods, knowing them to be ſtolen.

On Thurſday ſe'nnight Mr. Ingell, of Old-ſtreet, returning to Town from Highgate, was attack'd on the Cauſey between Lower Holloway and Iſlington by three Footpads, and robb'd of his Watch and about 4 l. The ſame Fellows committed ſeveral other Robberies on that Road the ſame Night.

The ſame Night a Servant Maid belonging to one Mr. Tate, a Gardner near Brumpton, was ſtopp'd near Knightſtridge by two Fellows, one of whom knock'd her down, and the other cut off her Pocket, in which were 17 s. and ſome Half-pence, and both made off.

Tueſday Mary Foſter was committed to Newgate by Sir John Barnard, Knt. on the Oath of Mr. Matthews, for robbing his Shop of a Piece of Stuff, valued at 26 s. and upwards.

A Warrant of Detainer is ſent to the New Gaol, Southwark, for Jane Wall and Mary Price, being charg'd with being concern'd with Tabitha Chiſſely, alias Farrar, in robbing of Mr. Manywell, a Gardener at Deptford, of upwards of 100 l. Theſe two Women were committed by Juſtice Bevois, for robbing of Mrs. Grice of Depiford, of Linnen and other Things to the Value of 50 l.

Tueſday came Advice that the Europe, Captain Benjamin Hunter, from Mahone, arriv'd ſafe in the Downs on Sunday Evening laſt; he gives the following Account: That on the 29th of November laſt, about 20 Leagues to the Weſtward of Cape Spartell, a very large Spaniſh Privateer of 22 Guns, and very full of Men, bore down upon him and boarded him on his Larboard Quarter, and enter'd his Men, but Capt. Hunter gave them ſo hearty a Reception, that he kill'd and caus'd to jump over-board about forty of the Spaniards; the Privateer was boarding him about two Hours. Captain Hunter was ſo fortunate as to fire away the Privateer's Main-maſt and Part of her Quarter; at length ſhe was glad to ſheer off, and with ſo much Precipitation, that they left two of their Men on board Captain Hunter, whom he has brought with him to England.

The Nazareth, Bennett, from Pool for South Carolina, was taken on the 1ſt Inſtant by that ſucceſsful Privateer the Chriſtiana, which of late has done ſo much Damage to the Britiſh Trade.

We hear that the Prince Frederick Man of War, in her Cruize off the Weſtern Iſles, took an Outward-bound Regiſter-Ship, and brought her to Portſmouth laſt Sunday.

Tueſday there were Letters from Capt. Ryan, of the Two Brothers from Jamaica, with an Account, that on Sunday the 11th Inſtant, about Seven at Night, he was attack'd off Berry-Head by a large three Maſt Dogger Privateer, who thought to board him, but was repuls'd by a briſk Fire from Capt. Ryan, whoſe Shot cut the Privateer's Mizen-Geers, and brought the Yard by the Board; which, together with Capt. Ryan's ordering Hand Granadoes to be got ready, oblig'd them to ſheer off; and probably ſav'd the Three Nuns, Capt. John, who was in Sight, and not capable of fighting a Ship of the Privateer's Force.

Extract of a Letter from on Board the Hastings Man of War, Lord Banff, Commander, dated Norfolk in Virginia, Oct. 7, 1743.

'The Prize taken by our noble Captain the 27th 'of April last, having been condemn'd here, the 'same has been distributed according to the Regula- 'tions, and my Share as a private Man amounts to '130 l. Sterling, which I receiv'd Yesterday.

From the London Gazette.

Leicester-House, Dec. 15. This Day the Lord-Mayor, Court of Aldermen, and Common-Council of the City of London, waited on their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, and made their Compliments as follows.

May it please your Royal Highnesses,

WE, the Lord-Mayor, Aldermen, and Common-Council-Men of the City of London, humbly beg Leave to present our most hearty Congratulations, upon the safe Delivery and happy Recovery of Madam your Royal Highness, and the Increase of your illustrious Family, by the Birth of another Prince; an Event, which must greatly contribute to our Happiness, as it strengthens our present Constitution, and yields a further Prospect of its Continuance in the Protestant Succession of his Majesty's Royal Line.

We cannot sufficiently express our Joy when we reflect on the many eminent Virtues, which, we promise ourselves will be transmitted from your Royal Highnesses to your Posterity; form'd with the same generous and benevolent Dispositions, for which you are so universally admir'd; and instructed by the same great Examples to pay a dutiful Obedience to his Majesty, and a tender Regard for the Liberties of his Subjects.

'Permit us likewise, Sir, to make use of this Opportunity, to return you our particular Thanks for the repeated Declarations of your Attachment to the Interests and Welfare of our City, of which you have so graciously condescended to become a Member; and with Minds truly sensible of the high Honour of your Princely Patronage and Protection, we offer up our constant Prayers, that your Royal Highnesses may enjoy all Happiness and Prosperity; and that your Descendants may successively continue the Blessings deriv'd from you to the latest Posterity.

To which his Royal Highness was pleas'd to return the following Answer.

'*My Lord and Gentlemen,*

'I return you mine and the Princess's Thanks for 'this Instance of your Duty to the King, and of your 'Regard to us. My Children will, I hope, deserve 'the Affection you now shew towards them; and 'I'll endeavour to inculcate early those Sentiments 'into them, as are agreeable to the Laws and Liber- 'ties of the Country they have the Happiness to be 'born in. This City may always depend on my 'hearty Wishes for her Trade and Welfare.

Whitehall, Dec. 11. The King has been pleas'd to constitute and appoint the Right Hon. Charles Wade, Esq; to be Field-Marshal of all and singular his Majesty's Forces.

Whitehall, Dec. 20. The King has been pleased to grant unto the Right Hon. Richard Lord Edgcumbe, the Office or Offices of Chancellor of the Duchy and County Palatine of Lancaster.

And also to grant unto the Right Hon. Thomas Winnington, Esq; the Office of Receiver and Paymaster General of and for all his Majesty's Guards, Garrisons and Forces in Great Britain, &c.

Admiralty-Office, Dec. 20. His Majesty's Ship the Prince Frederick, commanded by Captain Barnett, being on a Cruize, took a Spanish Ship on the 24th of last Month, which is call'd the Nostra Senora del Rosario, of 130 Tons, with 32 Men and 12 Passengers. She was bound from Cadiz to Cartagena, with a Lading of Wine, Oil, Flour, and Iron.

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